disinvestment of non-strategic Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) through reduction of Government shareholding to 26% or lower, on a case by case basis, irrespective of whether the PSU is profit-making or loss-making.

Assistance for preservation of heritage structures in Iraq

464. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government assisted Afghanistan in the field of preservation of heritage structures and museums;

(b) if so, whether Government proposes to provide similar assistance to Iraq as well; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) Government of India, as part of its assistance to the Government of Afghanistan has identified several areas of bilateral cooperation, including in the field of preservation of heritage structures and museums.

(b) There is no proposal for preservation of heritage structures and museums in Iraq at present.

(c) Does not arise.

Stand of International Community on Indo-Pak Ties

465. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the stand taken by the International Community on the recent efforts made by both India and Pakistan to create better relations between the two;

(b) whether Government are satisfied by the stand taken by the international community especially the Western Countries on matters to resolve Indo-Pak relations; and

(c) if so, to what extent keeping in mind the statement made by